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A house RESOLUTION

TO HONOR THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROMINENT AFRICAN EDUCATOR PROFESSOR BARNABAS NAWANGWE, VICE CHANCELLOR OF MAKERERE UNIVERSITY IN UGANDA.

Whereas, Professor Barnabas Nawangwe, a distinguished academic and administrator, holds a doctorate in architecture from Kyiv National University of Construction and Architecture. Since August 2017, he has served as vice chancellor of Makerere University, one of Africa’s leading institutions of higher learning. Under his leadership, Makerere has undergone a significant transformation into a research-intensive, globally competitive university; and

Whereas, as a strong advocate for research, innovation, and institutional development, Professor Nawangwe has played a key role in strengthening partnerships with global institutions and advancing Africa’s higher education sector. He serves in leadership capacities on various international academic boards, including as chair of the Alliance for African Partnerships, vice chair of the Australia Africa Universities Network, and council member of the Association of Commonwealth Universities; and

Whereas, the professor has been instrumental in positioning Makerere University as a hub for technological advancement. His contributions include championing the establishment of Kiira Motors Corporation, Africa’s first electric vehicle manufacturing company, in which Makerere holds a 4% stake. His efforts have driven increased investments in research, infrastructure development, and policy reforms, reinforcing Makerere’s role in addressing Africa’s developmental challenges through higher education; and

Whereas, his leadership continues to shape the future of African academia, earning him recognition as one of the continent’s foremost education reformers. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor the life and achievements of prominent African educator Professor Barnabas Nawangwe, vice chancellor of Makerere University in Uganda.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Professor Barnabas Nawangwe.

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